

### AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1.-2. (Canceled)

3. (Currently Amended) ~~Device according to claim 2, comprising~~ Device for fabricating an injection molded article on whose outer circumference an application is arranged, comprising:

- an injection molding tool comprising a mold cavity corresponding to the shape of the article to be fabricated;

- a preformer configured to preform the application substantially into the shape in which the application is to be inserted in the mold cavity, said preformer comprising:

- a guideway along which at least one gripper for the application  
label is guided; and

- a forming block having a preform cavity corresponding to the mold cavity of the injection molding tool, wherein in the forming block a slit is formed near the guideway for taking up the application label (1); and

- a transfer tool configured such that the application is transferable into the mold cavity, wherein the transfer tool takes up the preformed application out of the preformer and transfers it to the injection molding tool.

4. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 3, in which the guideway is formed curved in a circular arc shape and the preform cavity is formed in a truncated cone shape, wherein the radius of curvature of the guideway lies on the side of the smallest diameter of the preform cavity.

5. (Currently Amended) Device according to Claim 3~~claim~~<sup>[[s]]</sup>-2, wherein a supporting core is insertable in the preform cavity for guiding the application label during preforming.

6. (Currently Amended) Device according to Claim 3~~claim~~<sup>[[s]]</sup>-2, wherein at least partially on the inner circumference of the preform cavity suction is provided for holding the application ~~label~~ in the preformed shape.

7. (Currently Amended) Device according to claim 3, wherein a supporting core is insertable in the preform cavity for guiding the application label during preforming.

8. (Currently Amended) Device according to claim 4, wherein a supporting core is insertable in the preform cavity for guiding the application label during preforming.

9. (Currently Amended) Device according to claim 3, wherein at least partially on the inner circumference of the preform cavity suction is provided for holding the application label in the preformed shape.

10. (Currently Amended) Device according to claim 4, wherein at least partially on the inner circumference of the preform cavity suction is provided for holding the application label in the preformed shape.

11. (Currently Amended) Device according to claim 5, wherein at least partially on the inner circumference of the preform cavity suction is provided for holding the application label in the preformed shape.

12. (Currently Amended) Device according to claim 7, wherein at least partially on the inner circumference of the preform cavity suction is provided for holding the application label in the preformed shape.

13. (Currently Amended) Device according to claim 8, wherein at least partially on the inner circumference of the preform cavity suction is provided for holding the application label in the preformed shape.

14. (New) Device according to Claim 3, wherein the application is a label.

15. (New) Device according to Claim 3, wherein the injection molded article is a beaker.